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CLAIMS

[1] A clinical communication device comprising:

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electronic medical record information extraction means for extracting electronic medical record information from an electronic medical record database, the electronic medical record information including at least clinical pathways, medical record information for patients and follow-up sheets for the patients;

clinical communicator information extraction means for extracting clinical communication information from a clinical communicator database, the clinical communication information including at least event information for the patients, event information for medical care professionals and messages to/from the medical care professionals;

information update means for updating the electronic medical record information and/or the clinical communication information in accordance with an input; and display control means for displaying the electronic medical record information and the clinical communication information, while linking them with each other.

[2] A clinical communication device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the electronic medical record information includes diagnosis information and order information, and the display control means generates a scheduling table containing the event information for the patients and/or

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the event information for the medical care professionals and displays the diagnosis and treatment records, the order information, the follow-up sheets and/or the clinical pathways from the scheduling table.

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[3] A clinical communication device as claimed in claim 1 or 2, wherein the information update means sets an importance level to information that is to be exchanged between the medical care professionals.

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- [4] A clinical communication device as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the display control means issues an alert when a scheduled time to implement an event for the patients and/or an event for the medical care professionals has passed.
- [5] A hospital information system comprising:

an electronic medical record database having stored therein electronic medical record information including at least clinical pathways, medical record information for patients and follow-up sheets for the patients;

a clinical communicator database having stored therein clinical communication information including at least event information for the patients, event information for medical care professionals and messages to/from the medical care professionals; and

a clinical communication device of any one of claims 1

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to 4 connected to the electronic medical record database and the clinical communicator database through a communication link.